

# Kresh language

**Kresh**, also known as **Kresh-Ndogo** and **Gbaya-Ndogo**, is a Central Sudanic language of South Sudan and the prestige variety of the Kresh languages.

Naomi Baki, a native Kresh speaker who became a French citizen in 2015, has released an autobiography in 2013 in which she describes her Kresh Gbaya environment in Raga County.<sup>[3]</sup>

## Dialects

The Kresh languages are not mutually intelligible. 'Kresh' is what the people are called by their neighbors; they call themselves **Gbaya**, an ambiguous name in English, shared with many of the unrelated Gbaya languages.

## Locations

A 2013 survey reported that ethnic Kresh reside in Dar Seid Bandas and Kata Bomas, Ringi Payam, Raja County, South Sudan.<sup>[4]</sup>

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Kresh	
Kresh-Ndogo	
Gbaya	
Native to	South Sudan
Native speakers	unknown: <div>16,000 all Kresh languages apart from Furu (2013)<sup>[1]</sup></div>
Language family	<div>Nilo-Saharan?</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li> Central Sudanic<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Western<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Kresh languages<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Kresh</b></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul>
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	krs (Kresh–Gbaya–Woro–Dongo)
Glottolog	gbay1289 ( <a href="http://glottolog.org/resource/language/id/gbay1289">http://glottolog.org/resource/language/id/gbay1289</a> ) <sup>[2]</sup>

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